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SUBJECT: GON REQUEST FOR USG INTERVENTION WITH LIBYA

REF: MAXSTADT-SNYDER E-MAIL AUGUST 24

Classified By: Ambassador John Campbell for Reasons 1.5 (B & D).

¶1. (U) This is an action request.

¶2. (C) The Nigerian National Security Advisor, Aliyu Mohammed, on August 24 relayed a request from President Obasanjo for the USG to intercede with the Libyans to turn off a proposal that the Darfur peace talks be moved from Abuja to Libya (ref e-mail). The NSA said that Libyan FM (sic?) Tereiki kept mentioning during the Darfur talks in Abuja an idea to end a "first round" in Abuja and then move substantive negotiations to Sirte, and President Obasanjo wanted the USG to intercede with Qadhafi to turn the idea off.

¶3. (C) ACTION REQUEST: Please advise on how to respond to President Obasanjo's request. The NSA leaves Abuja later today, Thursday, August 26.

CAMPBELL